On the 2d instant, the baggage car at-



PUBLISHED DAILY AND TRI-WEEKLY BY EDGAR SNOWDEN.

ALEXANDRIA: WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 11, 1860.

The National Intelligencer most ably discusses the President's recommendations in regard to the military occupation of Mexico, by the army of this country, as the ally of a party in that unhappy and distracted republic-if republic it can be called. It contends that the proposition is opposed to the general principles of our public law, as well as to the theory of our own popular government-and that it is inconsistent with the President's former sentiments as declared in debate in the House of Representatives, on the famous "Panama Mission." Nor, if the step should be taken, would it be regarded in any other light than war against the people of Mexico, at least that portion of them. comprising a large majority, who refuse their assent to the authority, and deny the rightful jurisdiction of "the Government at Vera Cruz," and it doubts, whether under such circumstances, however successful we might be in conquering "justice," as Mr. Polk in like manner conquered "a peace," we would have any guarantee that in thus procuring "indemnity for the past," we should at the same time obtain "security for the future." It concludes its review of the whole matter, with bringing to the recollection of the public, the facts that when in 1837, a proposition similar to that of Juarez and his party was made to President Jackson by Gen. Santa Anna, (then a defeated President of Mexico in the hands of the insurgent Texans,' the Executive of that date at once dismissed the overture as incapable of being entertained in consistency with the traditional policy of the United

A Circular has been issued from the "National Union Executive Central Committee," in Washington, addressed to the friends of the Union, throughout the United States, signed F. Wm. Walker, Secretary, announcing the preliminaries for the organization of an Union party, in the present crisis of our country. J. J. Crittenden is the Chairman of the Committee. The National Whig Committee and the National American Committee have seconded, and agreed to, the proposed organization, and an appeal is made for rendering the formation of a Union Party general and effective, by co-operating State organizations, and the formation of Union Clubs in wards of cities, and in towns and election districts throughout the country-and it is stated that "the exigencies of the times seeming to require the formation of a party founded of national and conservative principles, there is reason to believe that such is the conviction of a great and patriotic portion of our fellow-citizens, including very many members of the present dominant and contending parties, who have been made sensible of the dangerous and disturbing consequences likely to result from the further pursuit of their party controversies, and whom it is in the highest degree desirable to draw together into fraternal union and efficient political co-operation."

The Fredericksburg Herald makes honorable mention of an old, trusty, and highly esteemed servant, named Armistead Walker, who lately died in Fredericksburg. During his illness, he was visited by many of the most prominent citizens, who testified by this and other marks of respect, their interest and kindly feelings.

A writer in the Richmond Enquirer pays a high compliment to Captains John Scott and Turner Ashby, commanders of the two troops of horsemen, from Fauquier County, at Charlestown; and to the men under their command. Honorable mention is especially made of orderly sergeant Wm. R. Smith, Jr., of Captain Scott's Company.

A letter from Washington, dated on Monday, says :- "Something like levees were held in the Senate chamber to-day by Vice President Breckinridge, who has just returned from Kentucky, and by Mr. Seward, who also made his appearance this morning. There was much surjosity to see how the latter would be received by Democratic Senators, between whom and himself social relations had subsisted previously. It may be said that no more than two or three saluted

There appears to be no end to the "troubles" in Kansas. The Territorial Legislature passed a joint resolution adjourning to meet at Lecompton, which Governor Methat is given to fortune tellers and other dairy vetoed, but the Legislature passed it swindlers. The Press says: over the veto by a two-third vote of a quorum. The question has now arisen as to the constitutionality of this vote. The marather fascinating looking German maiden. jority adjourned to Lawrence, and the minority remain at Lecompton. Both facis the daughter of God, and that they ought to obey ber in all things. The Anna Meistions claim to be a legal body.

Governor Dennison, the new Governor of years, and numbers several hundreds in preliminary. The Standing Committees Ohio, delivered his inaugural address at handsomely supported, that being the first Columbus, on Monday. He recommends holding annual sessions of the Legislature, and an amendment to the constitution to provide for a different system of representation. ile deprecates the neglect by Congress of internal improvements; and discusses the slavery question at some length, from an anti-slavery point of view.

The members and officers of the Senate of Virginia, on last Thursday evening, compli- which she is not loth to appropriate to hermented the retiring Lt. Governor with a sup- self. Among other curious teachings, her per at the Ballard House, Richmond, which was very largely attended. The oceasion was one of very great interest and pleasure, as men of every party were united in doing was convicted several years ago of some justice to the official course and private worth of her villainies, and spent some months in of a gentleman esteemed by all.

TO THE MAN AND AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF T

The Baltimore Sun says:- "An American citizen was lately notified by the French military authorities that he must attend on

jects, whether in Europe or elsewhere-

whether they be full or only partial subjects.

I warn you also, that of all the legations of

the United States in Europe, that Paris is

the most sensitive to the rights of its peo-

ple." This appeal had the desired effect.— The gentleman, who was Louisianian Creole,

was acquitted with an apology for the er-

A letter from Washington, in the New

York Commercial says :- "Seven of the

Justices of the U. S. Supreme Court are in

attendance, but one of these, Justice Mc-

Lean, is very infirm and aged. The absen-

tees are the Chief Justice and Justice Daniel.

and neither of them can be expected to re-

sume his seat. The present or the next

President will probably have to fill three

vacancies on the bench of the Supreme

Court. The seat of the Chief Justice will.

no doubt, be filled by an appointment from

outside of the bench. Chief Justice Taney,

Chief Justice Marshall, and Chief Justice

Ellsworth were appointed not from the bench

of the Supreme Court, but from the bar or

civil offices. It is not usual, either here or

in England, to take a chief justice from the

Court. There is no promotion in this ser-

vice. The reason is perhaps that a distinc-

tion among the members of the Court would

necessarily seem invidious. In England, a

Col. Peter A. Browne died at his residence

in Philadelphia, on Saturday last, in his

and how subtle were his powers, and how

was against the conclusions which he wished

to reach. In his earlier life, Col. Browne

was an active and enterprising citizen, who

The Abolition feeling of the English

Virginia.

of the late Hon. Daniel Webster. Mr. Pax-

Massachusetts. I understand that an effort

of Webster, I doubt not the authorities of

Virginia would give it a place in our capitol

square. Contiguous to the proposed county,

we have a county called Clay, and another

called Calhoun; what name more appropriate

to maintain the constitution and Union .--

who are now engaged in a war upon the

Contest for Speaker.

Twice within the past ten years, have

there been prolonged contests for the office

of Speaker of the House of Representatives.

tending through several weeks, the plurali-

for Speaker lasted from the first Monday in

ballots the plurality rule was adopted, by a

ed by 113 votes; Mr. Aiken, of South Carolina,

than a month before the organization of the

RELIGIOUS FANATICS IN PHILADELPHIA .-

There is a society in Philadelphia which more

fully illustrates the maxim that "the fools

are not all dead yet," than even the support

ter," the members of which-and they are

duty of her followers; not only is she robed

in silks and satins, but she feasts perpetual-

ly on all the good things of this land. This

imposter at one time lived in a garret, in

the Northern Liberties, and was in very

straightened circumstances, until she hit

to so good a purpose now. So infatuated

have laid at her feet all their jewelry and

all the ready money they could command.

anything but spring water. This impostor

prison."

AND MAN TO

House.—Petersburg Express.

Webster."

ton, in advocating the bill, said:

The Senate of Virginia, on Saturday

puisne judge is seldom made Chief Judge."

ror-as in fact it was."

"To show the very age and body of the TIMES." The Richmond correspondent of the New a certain day at the office of the Prefect of York Herald says it is estimated by a genthe department in which he lived, to draw tleman high in military authority in that in the conscription for seven years' military State, that the cost for the transportation of service. He naturally resisted the demand, troops, arms and ammunition to and from Charlestown during the late excitement, will and was arrested and carried before a militaamount to about \$25,000. This estimate is ry tribunal on the grave charges of resispredicated upon an assumption or guarantee tance to and contempt of the law. Marshal that the railroad companies would charge the Maynau was present in the court when the State but half fare and half the usual cost for case came up. M. Roussel, a Parisian lawfreight transportation. It is stated that a yer, employed by the refractory American, great deal of cheating has been practised commenced his speech thus. "Gentlemen! upon the Old Dominion in the dead head you have committed a most grave error in line. Every man who could appear in a arresting my client. He is not only a citimilitary overcoat, whether borrowed or stolen, zen, but was born a citizen of the governcould proceed free and unmolested to Charlesment which of all others protects with the most energy and the most jealously its sub-

News of the Day.

When the family of Bishop Odenheimer, lately removed from Philadelphia, took possession of Riverside, near Burlington, the residence of the late Bishop Doane, they found the pantries crowded with everything that either housewife or cook could desire-a parrel of sugar in one, of flour in another, with other immediate necessaries in profusion-the surprise offerings of Episcopalians there. Then came a purse of \$200 from Episcopalians in Mount Holly, to bear the xpenses of removal from Philadelphia. These donations offered some manifestation of the affection already entertained for Bishop

The New York Post denies the Herald's statement that A. T. Stewart & Co., the great dealers in dry goods, had dismissed sixty of their clerks employed in the Southern trade, n consequence of the falling off in that trade occasioned by "recent incendiary proceedings at the North." Says the Post: "Instead of lischarging sixty clerks employed in their Southern trade, Messrs. A. T. Stewart & Co., have added forty to the number thus

The Charleston Courier of the 2d instant ays:-"The cargo of European hay received in the Netherland, C. O. Whittle, consignee, was put on the market Saturday, and was readily taken at \$1.25 per hundred, by Mr. J. Campsen, who offers it to purchasers in quantities to suit. The experiment will no loubt be repeated, and will assist in developing and extending the direct intercourse with Germany and Central Europe, which is now demanded.

78th year. Col. Browne was a gentleman Through the influence of the American of much energy of character, and highly Minister at Brussels, Gen. Fair, of Alabama, cultivated intellect. In his profession as a a company has been formed in Belgium and lawyer, he stood very high. The success in the Southern States of the Union, for the which in those murder trials attended his purpose of direct trade between these States defence of Wood and of Singleton Mercer, and Belgium, called the Belgo-American on the ground of insanity, shows how ready Company. It is to be hoped that it will meet with better success than the schemes strongly he could lay hold of the sympaof Mr. Dudley Mann and the Hon. Mr. thies of the public to aid him, when the law

On Wednesday last the republican association of Chicago fired one hundred guns the interests, or promote the growth of Phil- Speaker. It appears that some one sent a her establishment. and not until they had wasted all their powder did the republicans find out that they press is clearly shown by the comments of had been badly "sold."

most of them, on the late John Brown insur-In Leavenworth, January 8th, two exten-The Memory of Daniel Webster Honored in flouring mill, owned by Messrs. Earl & Bunting, and the warehouse occupied by Messrs. Hewsley, Russell, & Co., wholesale grocers, and the banking house of J. C. last, unanimously passed a bill to create a Hemmingnay, and several law offices. The new county, to be called Webster, in honor total loss by both fires is \$50,000.

It is stated that there are now in Canada forty-five thousand runaway slaves from the "No Senator on this floor is more opposed South. Valuing these slave at an average of than myself to the political opinions generalone thousand dollars each, it is clear that ly entertained and advocated by the distinthe British provinces are harboring \$45,000,guished man whom it is proposed for us to 000 worth of the property of the United honor to-day. The last hours and the last States, and keeping it beyond the reach of and Bishop Kavanagh from a long protracspeeches of his life were, however, devoted to the righful owners.

the constitutional rights of the South, and Lewis W. Cabell, esq., has become one of because of these efforts he lost favor with the fanatical abolition crew who now govern Virginia Index, and will be hereafter associated in its management with its present has been made (whether successful I know not) to remove from the State house grounds able and experienced editor, B. M. DeWitt, ney, except \$80.50, have been recovered. esq. Mr. Cabell is said to be a gentleman of Massachusetts, the statue of Webster. It the abolition authorities of Massachusetts of fine acquirements and great energy.

consider their soil is descerated by the statue The Southern oppositionists who voted with the democrats for Hamilton, on Monday, are Messrs, Boteler, Bouligney, Hardeman, Moore, of Kentucky, and Vance. The remainder of them supported Mr. Gilmer, in company with Messrs. Briggs, Arian, and than that of Webster for this new county?-Clark, of New York.

Those three distinguished men were long Mrs. Ellen Key Blunt is at present giving associated in the Senate of the United States, differing it is true, in their construction of poetical readings at the residences of some the constitution, but each honestly desiring of the most wealthy and fashionable families to advance the prosperity of the country, and in the city of New York. Her readings are entirely devoid of rant or theatrical Let Virginia cherish the memory of these manner. great men. It is enough for me to know

The war between the Spaniards and the that the black republicans of Massachusetts, Moors appears to be carried out in the spirit constitution and rights of the South, are of extermination. The Moors, we are told, now endeavoring to dishonor the name of display their usual valor, refusing quarter and giving none. There has been some desperate fighting.

Advices from Buenos Ayres via Valparaiso state that Buenos Ayes has concluded a treaty with President Urquiza, by which she becomes a member of the Argentine The first occurred in the thirty-first Con-Confederation, which assumes all her debts. gress, and after ineffectual ballotings, ex- A general amnesty has been declared.

The Patent Office Agricultural Report for ty rule was adopted, which resulted in the 1859 is now ready for the press. It contains ly. election of Howell Cobb, by two votes over articles of unusual interest, and contribu-Mr. Winthrop. Four years ago the contest tions from the most reliable practical men throughout the country. The subject-matter is entirely original and interesting.

December to Saturday, the Fourth of February. After one hundred and thirty-two John Campbell, son of Hon, Lewis D. Campbell, late member of Congress, was vote of 113 to 109, and Mr. Banks was electkilled at Hamilton, Ohio, last week, by falling from a freight train. He was in the had 108 votes. The President's message was sent to Congress December 21st-more employ of the Cincinnati, Hamilton, and

> An unknown man, of genteel appearance, stock is \$50. was committed to one of the cells of the Jefferson market Police Court, in New York. on Friday night, and the next morning he was found dead. The poor man's body had been nearly half devoured by rats.

The young ladies of St. Mary's Hall, Bur-"This society is known as the "Anna Meis- lington, N. J., on Christmas day, placed upon the tomb of Bishop Doane the decorated not few. but confined exclusively to our Ger- cross which they had been in the habit of man population-believe that Anna M., a presenting to that distinguished divine annually on that day.

The business before the Maryland Legister Society has been in existence for several lature on Monday, was merely routine and elphia. Anna Meister is of course were announced. A petition for the removal of Judge Stump was presented in the House and referred to a special Committee.

Austria seems to be doing all in her power ing up. to produce another revolt in Hungary. A letter from the Hungarian capital, by way upon this imposition, which answers her rages.

Mr. Longworth, of Cincinnati, has sent to have been some of her followers that they Mr. Sherman, the Republican candidate for Speaker, a present of 200 bottles of his famous Catawba wine.

Buckle, the author of the History of Civfollowers are required to eat cabbage at a hization, has been sued for libel, in Engcertain hour of the night, prepared in a par- land, for publishing "blasphemous" sentiticular manner, and she prohibits the use of ments.

> Zephaniah Buckley has been appointed postmaster at Sangster's Station, Fairfax county, vice T. W. Payne, resigned.

tached to the train on the Delaware Railroad, took fire and was consumed. The Wilmington Republican says: - 'John Clark was removing his family to this city, and all the clothing of himself and wife and nine children, with five feather beds, pork, lard, &c., and most of his household goods, worth in the aggregate about \$400, were destroyed. leaving him in quite a distressed condition Two trunks belonging to Miss Hazzard, of Milton, estimated to be worth \$300; fifty new baskets belonging to Charles Richmond of Milford, and the United States mail were entirely consumed. The mail contained as

far as is known about \$75 in money, \$50

of which was mailed by Mr. Garey, of Mil

ford. The loss, exclusive of the value of the

car, is estimated at from \$800 to \$1.000."

Dr. Wm. Russell Palmer, whose arrest and examination in Memphis, Tenn., for alleged conspiracy in the late attempt to incite the servile population of the South to revolt, is still fresh in the minds of our readers, died in that city on Saturday week. The Memphis Argus says :- "It will be remembered that he was required to give bonds ter his release from custody, he remained in the city, and boarded at the Planters' House, where consumption, with which he had been affiicted for many years, terminated his existence on Saturday morning. Since the developments of the late trial, facts have come

charge preferred. On Christmas day, Mr. W. P. Dulin, residing near Easton, Md., had a loaded revolver lying on a bed, in the room where himself and his little child, wife and another lady were, and in a playful manner he pointed it at the ladies, when it by some means went off, the ball taking effect in the cheek of his wife, and penetrating the head just below the brain and stopping in the back of the neck. When Mr. D. saw the damage he had done, he became almost frantic with distress. The wound was at first supposed to be mortal, but it is now hoped that Mrs.

to light which seem to warrant many in the

A man in a neighboring State, who pos sesses property estimated at \$50,000 in amount, was recently called upon to administer upon the estate of a deceased brother, who left a little property. When he rendered his accounts to the judge of probate, they were found to contain, among other charges, the sum of \$2 for one day's time in attending the funeral of his brother and \$2 for Estimated receipts for 1859-'60 \$3,782,284 46 railroad fare in going and coming from the

Great sensation has been caused in England, by the elopement of the wife of Mr. J H. Gurney, the Norwich banker and member for Lynn. She was one of the richest beiresses in the county, her dowry, which is secured to her, having been equal to \$2,400,-000, and she had been united to her husband, who is also her cousin, for 13 years. But she took particular pride in projects to advance in honor of the election of Sherman as has now gone off with one of the servants of Estimated excess of means over char-

> The jewelry store of Hyde & Goodrich corner of Royal and Canal streets, New Orleans, was burnt on the 25th ult., and the store of Benthuysen, Lewis & Co., much Estimated charges for the fiscal year damaged. The Delta says :- "The stock of sive fires occurred, burning the Metropolis Messrs. Hyde & Goodrich was valued at \$300,000, and they believe that not more than \$150,000 is saved, and some of that damaged. They were insured for \$150,000 in charges, any of the charges created by the Le- his rent, but the goods and chattels enumerthe different offices.

that, with the exception of Bishop Early, not | the existing license laws. one of the Southern Methodist bishops is capable at this time of doing effective work .-Bishops Soule and Andrew are feeble through age; Bishop Paine from the fracture of several ribs; Bishop Pierce from sickness contracted by California exposure and labor; ted spell of illness.

Since the arrests of Thomas and Jones on the proprietors of that excellent journal, the the charge of having robbed the safe of money paid by the people, but still retained poor man. It will deprive him of a large Messrs, Hamilton Easter & Co., of Baltimore, the box, with all the papers and mo-

Virginia News.

On last Friday, R. H. Glass, editor of the Republican, and C. W. Button, one of the editors of the Virginian, of Lynchburg, had a hostile meeting. Regardless of the so called code of honor, they "pitched in" for a regular old-fashioned fisticus, but the street being covered with ice, both parties were soon floundering in the middle of the street .-Friends soon interposed, and the beligerents were separated. Both parties, together with a brother of Mr. Button's, were subsequently bound over in the sum of \$500 each, to keep the peace. The affray was the result of an editorial controversy concerning politics.

As is usual at our January Court, says the Charlottesville Advocate, there were many the Board of the audited accounts. slaves sold at auction. The sales on time were fully up to the high prices hitherto obtained for negroes; but owing to a stringency in monetary affairs, the cash sales showed a slight decline.

Mr. J. Nelson Gillespie, of Fluvanna, was driving an ox-cart on Friday before Christmas, when, by some accident, he fell to the ground and the wheels of the cart ran over his breast, killing him almost instantaneous-

Young Merrill, who stands charged with the murder of File on Friday night, the 16th of December, had his examination before the January County Court, of Albemarle County on Monday last, and was sent on to the next term of the Circuit Court.

Thirty-one shares of stock in the Albemarle Insurance Company were sold at auction, at \$60 per share; the par value of the

Dr. J. B. Wilson of Winchester, was or Tuesday evening last elected Principal of the Leesburg Academy. He will take charge of the Institution on the first of February.

John G. E. Gary, esq., chief manager o the extensive tobacco manufactory of Messrs. Osborne & Chieves, of Petersburg, died suddenly of apoplexy on Sunday night.

The grocery store of Mr. P. H. Booth, in Petersburg, was entered on Friday night last and robbed of \$410. Maj. Henry Clay Pate, of Kansas cele-

The ice in the Appomattox river is break-

TROUBLE AMONG THE VIRGINIA DOCTORS .-Sixty-six physicians of Virginia have signed of Paris, contains accounts of monstrous out- a card stating that they are informed that some medical men of Richmond are attending patients by the year, for a specific sum, and believing that this practice is injurious to the interests and derogatory to the honor of the medical profession, as well as hazard- Instruction on Piano and use of Instrument 20 with comfortable BUILDINGS. It is divid- and to Brown, to read a line of your companies. ous to the patient, they reaffirm the opinion of the "Medical Society of Virginia," as expressed in the "Code of Ethics," and of the profession of the city, as expressed in a resoution appended to the "tariff of fees;" and tion therefore pledge not to attend patients by nov 17-2awtf the year, and to refuse consultations withany physician who may directly or indirectly be guilty of such practice.

VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate on Monday, bills were re-Amending the act passed March 17, so as more effectually to prevent the escape of slaves: to amend the 4th section of chapter tion for debt, one slave to every individual, internal improvement that does not propose facias in cases of felony.

A communication was received from Gov. but not sent in by ex-Gov. Wise, before the cause would receive at the hands of the non-sharp!—there goes some Yankee or South Letcher, transmitting a message prepared, expiration of his term, on the subject of the slaveholding class at the South. It is equally erner, who will engineer his way through boundary line between Virginia and Mary- notorious that in no instance has anything land, accompanied by the report of the Commissioner, A. McDonald, and by Lieut. Michlin's report, and other documents. Mr. Letcher adds that, coinciding with the views tion. Holding many slaves, or holding few our natural market town and a Virginia city. of Mr. Wise, he recommends them to the favorable consideration of the Senate. The communication was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

of Prince William county, appropriating than the largest planter. Now he is the ex-\$115, for taxes improperly paid by him, was passed after considerable discussion-ayes

The bill providing legal remedy against Foreign Express Companies and Corporations in \$2,500 for his appearance at court. Af- and to punish offences by them and their agents, was also passed.

The following petitions, memorials &c.,

were presented and referred. Of W. Newton and others, praying for the enactment of a more stringent law to prevent trespasses, &c., along the Potomac in Fairfax county, Va.; of Banks of Winchester, belief that Dr. Palmer was innocent of the praying for the payment of coupons for which the Commonwealth is bound by her guarantee on certain bonds of the city of Wheeling; resolutions of the Bank of Rockingham against the present redemption law, and in favor of its being made uniform, &c.

> In the House of Delegates bills were reported authorizing County Courts to appoint s ecial police in certain cases; authorizing the voluntary enslavement of Mary and her children, free negroes, of Culpeper; amending sec. 12 chap. 95; incorporating the Rectortown and Rector's Roads Turnpike Company; authorizing a subscription to the Mt. Jackson and Howardsville Turnpike Company; incorporating the Madison and Culpeper Turnpike Company; forming a new county out of Hardy county; and amending the

> act concerning the poor of Frederick county. Mr. Barbour, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, made an informal statement in advance of the report of the committee, relative to the financial estimates for 1859-'60, and 1860-'61, from which we gather the following figures:

" charges " " 3,647,739 15 Estimated receipts for 1860-'61......\$3,796,978 46

Balance in the Treasury, 1st Oct. '59 \$104,013 36 Estimated receipts for the fiscal year

Estimated charges for the fiscal year

ges, October 1, 1860

gislature this session. The estimated re- ated in its language, to live in a meaner and A paragraph in a Southern exchange says ceipts from merchant's taxes are based on more comfortless habitation than he could

receipts estimated above, there is \$145,000 him only it is designed to benefit, is rarely belonging to the Literary Fund, which is in- investigated, and never complained of. But vested with the State on a short bond, and now, when under a specious garb of loyalty for which a long bond is to be given. He to a sacred cause, it comes offering to scatter also stated the fact that the taxes in the its evils through our whole society, multihands of sheriffs, not paid into the treasury, | plied five hundred fold, it is full time that which have accumulated since the operation | public attention should be called to its opeof the system commenced by the new Con- ration and effect. It will, as has always stitution, amounts to \$446,294-a sum of heretofore been the case, do harm to the

Lewis McKenzie was appointed chairman ciety. It is like the circulation of the blood of the joint committee ordered by the House | in the animal-conveying warmth and nouron Friday, to inquire into the expediency of ishment through the whole body politic. increasing the salaries of the Government | Credit is the main agency of trade. It is

officers employed in the Capitol. The internal improvement bills, which there can be no trade. This fact was abunwere the order of the day-the Covington | dantly experienced in England during the and Ohio Railroad being the first, were called growth and development of her vast comup. After a variety of motions, it was re- mercial undertakings. There, in feudal solved to postpone the order of the day, in- time, when trade was confined to a small

Thursday next. The House bill for defraying the expenses debts of the owners. There never was a incured by the Governor in the Harper's time when personal property enjoyed a like Ferry affair, with the Senate amendments exemption. Just as soon as the paralysis of thereto, was taken up. The Senate amend- feudalism began to relax, and the interests ments require the Board (Secretary of State, of commerce and trade were aroused, step First Auditor and Adjutant General,) to after step was taken to break away the artiaudit the accounts, and report them from ficial impediments which prevented land time to time to the Legislature. The House from serving as trading credit. Now, at

amendment, so as to require the Board to re- thousand dollars-and there are a majority of port the accounts to the Governor, who shall every community in this sad predicament-

Senate's amendment, so as to require the pen to prove true-if by any rascally swind-Board to advertise for the claims under the ling operation Mr. Onenigger gets your money bill, immediately after its passage, which was in his pocket, you may indulge in the philosoadopted. Mr. Christian offered an amend- phical, but unremunerative pastime, of whisment to the Senate's amendment, which gives theing for it. It is better that he should be the Board the right to pay the claims. The interested in the peculiar institution, than amendment of Mr. Christian was amended that you should have what belongs to you. on motion of Mr Hopkins, so as to limit the It is true he may get into trouble-if altosum paid by the Board to \$200,000. Mr. gether infatuated-with a grand jury, but

which motion was defeated. The amendment offered by Mr. Christian. as amended by Mr. Hopkins, was adopted. ven knows there was swindling enough al-Mr. Barbour then offered an amendment pro- ready, before it was thought necessary to hibiting the payment of railroad companies prepare so huge a parliamentary engine for thou see clearly to pull the mote out of the out of that sum, which was adopted. The working fraud and iniquity. Senate's amendment, as amended, was then Here, then, is the law under discussion

and companion of Kit Carson, has arrived of his creditors. Of the portion of the comat Washington on business relating to the munity who will be effected by this measure. Catem, or Washikee band of Snake Indians. | those who are honest and enterprising will On account of his reliability he will be refind themselves iniquitously cramped in their tained to impart information to the War undertakings, by having so large a part of and Interior Departments regarding the their source of credit taken away from them. assassin Brown. And when you can equa different lines of travel over the great cen- That other portion, who are not as honest as in deeds of love and charity those account tral routes between the Mississippi river and | they might be-and I hope their number is Pacific coast. Goodale has been exploring small, and growing smaller—what could be Virginia plantations, then by your "symps the mountains for twenty years.

day night, in favor of the Woman's Right inconvenience, and some peril, the demands Prisoners! and how taken? Unsuspection were another enlogy of Old Brown, and legislatorial agis covering them from the ed gentleman, taken from their beds at 6 another reflection upon the Christians and revenge of their victims. such of the Clergy, as refuse to acknowledge

GENTLEMAN, residing near Warrenton, A Va., and having a teacher in his family, is calculated to elevate the public honor? If that the treatment of them was the only here willing to take six or eight Young Ladies as not, let us look to it! Boarding pupils. Session to commence 15th of Fauquier County, January 9,

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COMMUNICATED.

"THE POOR MAN'S LAW."-A bill was in-

218 of the Code, respecting the writ of venire or other property to the amount of one thousand dollars. It is notorious that John been patiently waiting and enduring for two Brown counted largely upon the support his vears, but still the same cry comes-"look been brought to light which could give the to take notes on our magnificence." Now, faintest shadow of a ground for his calcula- we feel a kindly interest in the welfare of slaves, or holding no slaves, the people of Virginia have showed that they were as one man upon that question. The mechanic my age," would exhibit in his little debat Senate bill for the relief of Benj. T. Chinn, feels that really he has not less at stake ing society at the primary school—and we pected occupant of an honorable position in slave society; then he would be one of the 'non-property holding class," in competition with an overwhelming inundation of white foreign laborers, and opposed in his interests and politics to the "capitalists." Nevertheless, the question has been raised in many parts of the country, whether it would not be sound policy to contrive some means whereby the class in the State directly interested in the peculiar institution, might be enlarged. Among many devices, it has been suggested to allow every citizen to hold one slave free from his debts. This, it was thought, would tempt men of limited means to invest their little all-or, at the present prices, their large all-in an estate certainly restricted to the duration of a single human life, and subject to all the ailments and uncertainties to which human life is heir .-Whether the foundations upon which the institution of slavery rests, would really be rendered broader and more solid in this way, or not, is, to say the least, debateable, Whe ther the disadvantages that would result to a man of small capital, by having his tra-

> However, when I casually noticed the bill I have already alluded to as being introduced into the Legislature, I thought it was giving expression to this newly invented policy. was, however, as I found upon closer inspection, altogether mistaken. The bill now pending before the Legislature, is calculated o completely dodge any of the benefits claimed for the negro exemption bill, and seems, to a looker on in Vienna, to come pregnant of public harm. Under a some what disguised form, it is simply an extension, upon a scale never before dreamed of at the South, of the deplorable policy of what is called the "Poor Man's Law, Of all the evils that have followed in train

of unblushing demagogueism, nothing has

ding credit in the community taken from him

to so great a degree, would not rather deter

him, than otherwise, from locking up his for-

tune in a single "nigger," deserves to be con-

the whole, the play would'nt be worth the

culcated by the laws of some of the States. thanks to the conservative principles which have heretofore presided over her councils. the "Poor Man's Law" has been confined to a very narrow sphere of operation. Applying only to poor tenants, it has been compar \$951.583 82 atively harmless. Compelling a man who This does not include in the estimates of has no security to offer for the payment of procure if his furniture was a source of Mr. Barbour stated that in addition to the credit to him, the positive harm it works to part of his credit. Trade is the life of soindispensable. Where there is no credit, cluding all the improvement bills, until and despised portion of the people, the landed estate of the realm was not subject to the bill, as it stood, authorized the payment by this late day, we are scandalized by a bill in our Legislature, which proposes to deprive care and comfort you can give? Do you Mr. Duckwall moved to amend the Senate | a man so unfortunate as to be worth only a of any trading credit whatever. That is if he Mr. Hoffman offered an amendment to the is an honest man. If the reverse should hap-Dickinson moved to make the sum \$150,000 that is not your affair. Our law will not dive into the secret recesses of his breeches pocket for the money he got from you. Hea-

now in the House of Delegates of Virginia. pathy near you, go to Jefferson County. Old Tine Goodale, the famed mountaineer of one thousand dollars, from the claims hearted man, whose devotion to his friend so efficient an accessory to their unlawful doings, as the bill proposed. They who die the torch for our homes. You reverend A lecture was delivered in Boston, on Sun- have been accustomed to dodge with so much | Brown for his clemency to his prisoners. "Ism." Of course, among the incidents, of justice and of law, are suddenly to find the workmen, going to their daily duties; and

"the high Standard of Ethics" which Brown have a right to keep, to use, to enjoy, to sell hair of their heads, do you think one of the or bequeath, what in the sight of God, and band of desperad es would have left the es before men, belongs to you. Is this a moral gine-house alive? And did he not know

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troduced in the House of Delegates, the other Trons.-The extreme sensitiveness which day, which proposes to exempt from execu- Alexandria shows towards every scheme of to empty its car-loads into its streets, has been remarked by many. Country friends have town, without leaving a four-pence; stop him (!) some how, if it is only long enough just under the eyelid of the great National Metropolis, that great focus of elemental light, such light as "you'd scarce expect one of are interested in knowing why it is that with the resources of back trade, and summer communication, (just now froze up.) by ships of largest size with all parts of the world, Alexandria business men, will contend that Alexandria cannot stand upon the merits of a legitimate business, nor come into competition with even a tolerable sized village, but must continually resist every move-

ment that looks to giving a free noket or

easy exit through the corporation. Mer-

chants are never expected to say to their cus-

tomers, we live by a forced trade, and can

only thrive when we have all the advantage,

Now it has occurred to many country friends

that trade in Alexandria is prejudiced and

injured by the very means taken to build it

up. The day is passed, and forgotten al-

most, when any town shall say to any sec-

ALEXANDRIA AND HER RAILWAY CONNECTOR

tion of country, you are our particular tributary and must abide our trade regulations. Selfishness and inordinate assumption mercantile skill, with no matter how much outside brass, will not compensate for the higher and more enduring qualities that give man and his legitimate business, permanency and respectability, every where and any where. It is high time for merchants to be looking above the fractional parts of a cent, and o come to an intelligent comprehension of their position. Alexandria is now (if you will?) a city on the sidered. It may appear to some that, upon side of the great national highway. As a passenger road, a railway connecting Alexandria and Washington city, will in five years eclipse any r ad in the Union. But rour town sees only ruin in the connexionwise generation! that will certainly see ruin in a great sense without it. Is the travel of the nation, to be dumped out into the streets of Alexandria twice a day, to be buddled into wagons, omnibuses, carts, and whatnots, to trudge through your streets, because some men have some old horses and old wheels and gear they wish to wear out profitably? Now we talk plainly with Alexandria, because we wish to stir its blood enough to chase off the fogs that baunt the brain that its people may see clearly, if possible their interest. Let there be a SEPARATE COMPANY with a capital, say of \$1,000,000 to connect Alexandria and Washington, and been more keenly felt than the doctrine inthe depots of your present roads, so located that the cars of this, can run along and take own all the stock you can in that connecting road, and let the merchants talk on this prices with those of any other market," and

> pacity of her citizens. We may say more about this, in earnest, Culpeper county, Jan. 6, 1860.

> the country people will have some faith in

Alexandria and the business foresight and ca-

LETTER FROM MRS. MASON, OF VIRGINIA, TO L. MARIA CHILD .- ALTO, KING GEORGE CO. VA., Nov. 11, 1859. - Do you read your Bible Mrs. Child? If you do, read there "Woe un to you hypocrites!" and take to yourself with two-fold damnation, that terrible sentence; for rest assured, in the day of judgement, it shall he more tolerable for those thus scathed by by the awful denunciation of the Son of God than for you. You would soothe, with sis terly and motherly care, the hoary-header murderer of Harpers Ferry. A man whose aim and intention were to meite the horrors of a servile war-to condemn women of you own race, ere death closed their eyes on their sufferings from violence and outrage, to see their husbands and fathers murdered, their children butchered, the ground strewed with the brains of their babes. The antecedents the off-scourings of the earth, and what would have been our fate, had they found as many

symoathizers in Virginia as they seem to have Now compare yourself with those your 'sympathy" would devote to such ruthless never has been broken," would you stand by the bedside of an old negro, dying of a far as human aid could? Have non ever watched the last, lingering illness of a consumptive, to soothe, as far as in you lay, the inevitable fate? Do you soften the pangs of maternity in those around you by all the grieve with those near you, even though their sorrows resulted from their own misconduct? Did you ever sit up until the "wee hours" to complete a dress for a motherless day in a new one, along with her more for tunate companions? We do these and more for our servants, and why? Because we en has pleased God to place us. In His reves ed word we read our duties to them-theirs us are there also-"Not only to the good and gentle, but to the froward." 18) Go thou and do likewise, and keep awa from Charlestown. If the stories read in the public prints be true, of the sufferings of the poor of the North, you need not go far for of jects of charity. "Thou hypocrite! take first the beam out of thine own eye, then shall

But if indeed, you do lack objects of sym-(Colonel Washington) causing him to rai his life, was shot down like a dog. Or !! that of Mr. Beekham, whose grief at the murder of his negro, subordinate, made has needlessly expose himself to the aim of the wenge of their victims.

The moral of the proposed law is, that I dead hour of the night, by six men dot and trebly armed. Suppose he had hour of life then, or elemency afterward? course he did. The United States troops could not have prevented him from being torn limb from limb.

neighbor's,'

I will add, in conclusion, no Southerest sition or to touch a magazine which bears your name in its list of contributors; and 1 this we hope for the "sympathy," at least those at the North, who deserve the mand of woman.

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